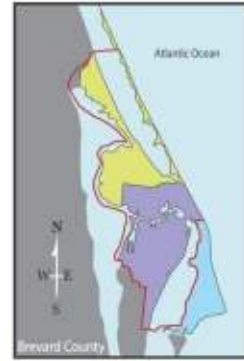


Cape Canaveral Goes Wild

Common Wildlife



KEY

- █ Wildlife Refuge Boundary
- █ Public Access
- █ Kennedy Space Center
- █ Cape Canaveral Space Force Station

To the north and west of the Cape is the Merritt Island National Wildlife Refuge (MINWR), managed by the US Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS).

MINWR provides a buffer between local communities and the NASA and military installations. It also provides an area of protection for Florida wildlife species.

The Space Force manages the natural environment on the Cape in the same way USFWS manages MINWR, receiving several awards for their environmental stewardship.

Threatened, Endangered or Protected Species



There are many State and Federally listed threatened or endangered animals in the MINWR and Cape Canaveral SFS areas. There are many more species designated "at risk". Cape Canaveral SFS provides a protected home to these as well as many non-threatened species.

Each year, these four endangered sea turtle species make between 2,500 - 4,500 nests laying their eggs on the 13 miles of beach along the Cape.

